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REMARKS

Claims 1-18 are currently pending, claim 19 is cancelled and new claim 20 has been added. The claims have been amended to fulfill the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph. Replacement Figures are attached with this response that include proposed changes to show all the features recited in claims 9-15. Figures 1 and 3 has been amended to schematically show the housing and the specification has been amended to include reference numerals for the housing. No new matter has been added as the original specification includes the description of the housing as schematically illustrated in amended Figures 1 and 3.

Claims 1-4,7,8, and 16-18 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Ohkawa et al. (US 5,009,296). Amended claims 1 and 17 include the limitation that a pinion is directly fixed to the drive shaft to always rotate in unison with the drive shaft. Ohkawa et al. disclose a motor (140) that selectively drives a pinion (151). An electro-mechanical clutch (150) selectively engages the pinion (151) when movement of the motor (140) to drive one of the output shafts (130) is desired. Ohkawa the pinion (151) is not and cannot by fixed to always rotate with the motor output shaft (141). Accordingly, Ohkawa et al. does not include a pinion fixed directly to the motor output shaft that always rotates in unison with the motor output shaft and therefore does not anticipate amended claims 1 and 17.

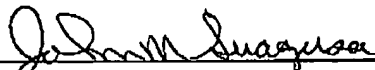
Examiner has indicated that claims 5 and 6 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant has included new claim 20 that includes the limitations of claim 5 and any intervening claims.

Accordingly, Applicant requests favorable consideration of this response. Please contact Applicants agent at the below listed number if it is felt that a teleconference would aid in forwarding this application to grant. No additional fees are seen to be required. If any additional fees are due, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482, in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds, P.C., for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

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Respectfully submitted,

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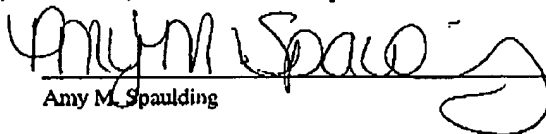


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I hereby certify that this response and replacement drawings are being facsimile transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Art Unit 3682, Before Final, 703-872-9326 on September 18, 2003.



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